

# Quote

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## MAY WE *Quote* YOU ON THAT?

[1] ROGERS KELLEY, forgn relations chmn, American Legion: "The 9-power defense pact of Western allies has no more chance of success than its predecessor, EDC. France never will welcome nor sincerely co-operate with a re-armed and resurgent Germany." . . . [2] Rep CHAS A HALLECK (R-Ind) House majority leader, *pointing to what he considers greatest GOP obstacle*: "The people just don't understand how good our program is." . . . [3] Gen ALFRED M GRUENTHER, supreme Allied comdr in Europe: "If the Russians over-ran Europe day after tomorrow, they ought to be able to beat us on the 1st phase. But in 3 or 4 yrs they won't be able to do that." . . . [4] MOHAMMED ALI, prime minister of Pakistan, *making an informal remark on baseball, with internal implications*: "This proves that the Indians are over-rated." . . . [5] WALTER REUTHER, pres CIO: "Wherever there is a crooked labor leader, there is a crooked em-

### Quote of the Week

Pres DWIGHT D EISENHOWER, *commenting on 9-power accord, signed in London*: "Sec'y Dulles, in co-operation with other forgn ministers, has accomplished what may be one of the greatest diplomatic achievements of our time."

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ployer. . . The employe should know about him and turn him in." . . . [6] GEO M HUMPHREY, Sec'y of Treasury: "A fact too often overlooked is that we have had the highest peacetime employment in the history of this country during every month in the 1st half of this yr." . . . [7] WESLEY MORGAN, Atlanta businessman and mbr of Ku Klux Klan, *commenting on desegregation issue*: "We have been quiet, like a dormant volcano, but we are going to erupt." . . . [8] JERRY GIESLER, att'y for Marilyn Monroe, *commenting on pending divorce of actress and Joe DiMaggio*: "Yes, Joe has struck out."

FOURTEENTH YEAR OF PUBLICATION



The "gold rush" of a century ago now has its counterpart in the current scramble for uranium. However, some isolated citizens may not realize fully the extent of the activity. It is said that more people are looking for uranium today than for all other metals combined. Most are amateurs—"spare-time searchers"—with little chance to make a "lucky strike." (In gold-mining, too, few found fortune.) But some sizeable uranium deposits have been discovered; others will be found. We have previously warned against "catching the fever," investing hurriedly in the flow of "bargain" uranium stocks. Unless you have technical background, plus ability to closely analyze flowery prospectus, you'd better stay clear of this field.

No matter how much uranium

we may find, there is no indication of a surplus. Gov't offers an assured mkt for all available ore far into the future. Industrial use of atomic power is definitely on the way. Many new atom power plants will be erected in next 2 yrs, with Gov't sharing in fantastically high costs.

Note, also, the world pooling of atomic knowledge for peacetime pursuits. Initial steps for such a program were taken in UN fortnight ago. This was done despite Soviet efforts to block the move. Not too much to be said at the moment. A lab'y is planned in Switzerland; a power reactor in Belgium. U S is a prime mover. We'll supply uranium and a good share of the technical knowledge. But you should not assume from this that the deal is wholly one-sided. We have our admitted weak spots; other nations can help materially. However, it was our idea in the 1st place. This is generally acknowledged and accepted. Psychologically, this peacetime development of the atom promises to be a very fine move; one that should substantially strengthen us, weaken Russia, in world relations.



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#### AGE—1

Somehow or other, as we get older, work seems a lot less fun and fun seems an awful lot more work.—P-K *Sideliner*, hm, Peter Kuntz Co.

#### AGRICULTURE—2

Asked for his formula for successful farming, Ed Wynn opined, "Rise early, work late, and strike oil." — WILL JONES, *Minneapolis Tribune*.

#### ARGUMENT—3

It takes you to make an argument.—ANNA FAYE, *Ladies' Home Jnl.*

#### BEHAVIOR—4

Man may not live by bread alone, but may try to get along on crust.—*Bendixline*, hm, Bendix Products Div, Bendix Aviation Corp'n.

#### CHURCH—5

I remember my 1st Communion service—I think it was at the Congregational church. When the bread and wine were passed around, Edith (a little sister) and I looked at each other doubtfully, took the bread, but declined the wine, of course. We came out holding the bread tightly in our fists, and I am sure God has long forgiven the two little urchins, who, not knowing what else to do with it, fed the bread to the sparrows.—P W LITCHFIELD, *Industrial Voyage* (Doubleday).

#### CONSERVATION—6

The chief of a Nigerian tribe used to say: "Our soil belongs to a group of men, some of whom are dead, others alive, but most of them are still to be born."—Sir BERNARD BINNS, *Outdoor America*.

#### CRITICISM—7

I have heard of a minister who keeps on his desk a stone with the word "First" painted on it. It is the "first stone" that he refuses to throw. . .

Throwing stones becomes a habit. Somebody says something we do not like, or somebody makes us jealous, and before we think, we heave that stone. We may regret having done so the minute we have spoken, but we have reacted automatically according to our habit pattern.—ROY A BURKHART, "The First Stone," *Christian Herald*, 9-'54.

#### CULTURE—8

Signs of American cultural progress: Some 11,000 different books a yr are now published. In the last 25 yrs, the number of museums has increased from 600 to about 2,500. We're now buying \$60,000,000 worth of classical records a yr. And, currently, three times as many concerts are given in the U S as in all the rest of the world combined. — LAWRENCE GALTON, *American Mag.*

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Jas L Murphy, nat'l chmn, Citizens for Eisenhower Congressional Committee, got tripped by a press release here, which resulted in his clearing the FDR administration of any charge of inducing "super-centralized gov't, creeping socialism and corruption." Murphy called a press conference to announce that John Roosevelt, youngest son of FDR, would campaign for GOP pro-Ike Congressional candidates. John Roosevelt was by Murphy's side when he distributed press releases welcoming Roosevelt into the campaign to prevent the ret'n of "super-centralized gov't, creeping socialism and corruption." A reporter asked what yr this condition had begun. After the question was repeated several times, Murphy finally made himself clear that it had all taken place in the Truman Administration. John Roosevelt agreed. Young Roosevelt added that while he had been a "Democrat for Ike" in '52, he's a "Republican for Ike" in '54.

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*Latest definition of communism:  
Doing it the herd way.*

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N Y Democratic Gubernatorial nominee Averell Harriman carefully wore his hat when calling at N Y Liberal Party headquarters, soliciting support. Vice Chmn of Liberal Party is Alex Rose, pres. AFoFL United Hatters, Cap & Millinery Workers Union!

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#### ECONOMICS—9

Why have economic doctrines risen and fallen? Because all economic doctrines were found upon examination to be limited in their application to the period and place when and where they were given. Because doctrinal solutions which try to dominate real life with abstract principles appear erroneous and impracticable when they encounter the reality of modern economic life, where many new factors are present and old ones absent.—ANDREW C ROCKOVER, "The Study of Economics in the Church School," *Ass'n of American Colleges Bulletin*.

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A business forecast promises no recession as long as people keep buying. This is the economic version of an old weather saw: Nice day if it doesn't rain.—*Changing Times*.

#### EDUCATION—10

Does it pay to go to college? Figures show that 52% of men making \$10,000 or more a yr attended college; and, of those making \$3,000 a yr, only 8% attended college. — *U S Chamber of Commerce survey*.

#### ETHICS—11

No amount of principle should be able to buy principle. — *Wkly Animator*, hm, Alexander Film Co.

#### FAITH—12

The only force that can overcome an idea and a faith is another and better idea and faith, positively and fearlessly upheld.—DOROTHY THOMPSON, "Liberty and Conformity in America," *Ladies' Home Jnl*, 10-'54.

# Mining the Magazines



Word of the tobacco toxin has, it seems, spread to Europe, and sundry citizens have turned to alcohol as solace in their surcease of the wicked weed. This, avers Dr Gustav Bracher, is not such a hot idea. Writing in *Kosmos* (Stuttgart) on the subject, "Nikotin oder Alkohol?" the good doctor puts in a strong plug for milk. . . Meanwhile, penetrating the depressing smoke screen, *True*, the man's magazine, was out last wk with a quicksilver-lined minority rep't. Essence of the 25-cent newsstand pamphlet: Not much has yet been proved against tobacco. So, if you get fun out of smoking, you might as well light up!

We must not dismiss this fascinating subject without a few lines anent the lady who wrote *Today's Health* (an organ of American Medical Ass'n). Her thought for today is that lung cancer results from igniting cigarettes with mechanical lighters, rather than matches. Speaking editorially, the jnl comments that its subscriber should have lived in the age of sulphur matches. They really provided fumes! But on the premise that "it is never safe to brush anything off without investigation" they pass the thought along to the realms of research.

One of the more rabid labor jnls currently contends that the U S is using Marilyn Monroe to

We ran across an item the other day in *Weltbild* (Munich) recording that the tiny Mosel town Traben-Trarbach recently sponsored a contest to develop a new name for the local wine. Choice of the judges was a term that we translate roughly as *Case of Sin*. Unhappily it was thrown out by the German Patent Division on a ruling that sining could not be patented.

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distract the world from the shenanigans of our politicians. Quoting directly: "As we consider Marilyn Monroe, we are left to flounder in a state of ignorance about our public figures." And we were under the impression all along that Marilyn *was* our No 1 Public Figure!

Now you can have your own "talking" motion pictures—modern tape recording makes it easily practicable, asserts R L McIntyre in *Photography*. He explains how you can provide narration or background music for your "family picture show."

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#### **FREEDOM—13**

In all men there must arise a spark of the dissenter if civilization is to survive. Society has less to lose from those subversive individuals who are willing to pervert the right of free inquiry than it has by denying freedom to the host of honest men and women who are genuinely concerned to learn what is not now known, to create knowledge now sorely needed.—RICHARD B BALLOU, *The Individual and the State—The Modern Challenge to Education* (Beacon).

#### **GOOD—Evil—14**

The fundamental idea of good is that it consists in preserving life, in favoring it, in wanting to bring it to its highest value, and evil consists in destroying life, doing it injury, hindering its development.—ALBERT SCHWEITZER, *Personnel & Guidance Jnl.*

#### **HISTORY—15**

The expulsion of the Jews by Ferdinand the Catholic, which aroused Machiavelli's admiration; the bonfires of Savonarola in which books and art were burned; the aggressive organization of the children; political assassinations for the purpose of ruling by fear; confessions secured by torture, like Savonarola's; the Prince who calls for peace without believing in it; the networks of espionage — all seem as much a part of the 20th century as of the 15th or 16th. We are still talking the same language.—GERMAN ARGINIEGAS, *Political Science Quarterly*.

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#### **IDEOLOGY—16**

In this age of atomic power an ideology really to satisfy must be revolutionary enough to unite the world.—PAUL CAMPBELL, *Remaking Men* (Blandford Press, England).

#### **INITIATIVE—17**

A deck officer in the Merchant Marine, A F Mozier, started a 1-man campaign some time ago to feed the hungry in 5 countries, Korea, India, Greece, Israel and Morocco—places where his ship put into port. It all began one day during a brief stop-over in India. He ran into a hungry farmer pleading for food. Mr Mozier helped him, then in a practical way said, "Why don't you plant something to eat if you are starving?" The farmer was very practical in his reply: "Because we have no seeds."

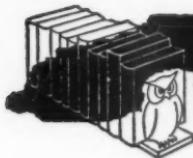
Mozier started buying 10c packets of seed in the States and handing them out to needy farmers in the countries he visited. In 6 mo's he had handed out 15,000 packets. He surprised himself when he saw, from his own experience, what one person can do.—*Christophers*.

#### **INSPIRATION—18**

The hot inspiration of tonight is often the cold perspiration of tomorrow. — *Clear Lake (Ia) Reporter*.

#### **KNOWLEDGE—19**

Sooner or later all knowledge becomes useful.—ROB'T OPPENHEIMER, quoted by FREDERICK L HOVDE, "The Importance of Research," *Jnl of Home Economics*, 9-'54.



## Book Briefs

Just as we were about to conclude that Hurricane Kinsey had blown safely out to sea comes word that Pulitzer-prize-winner Sidney Kingsley is writing a play, *Lunatics and Lovers*, "based on the Kinsey rep't," and wants Marilyn Monroe for the lead. Marilyn is agreeable, says Sheilah Graham, Hollywood columnist.

Albert Camus, French novelist, was telling a *Newsweek* reporter lately that he believes American mystery books and thrillers are giving foreigners a decidedly wrong impression. They see Americans rotted with corruption, drinking bourbon every 5 min's, and inordinately preoccupied with peroxide blondes. "I should like," he added, "to publish as counter-propaganda, a series of books featuring vegetarians, virgins and mothers who are Christ-like. But I'm afraid they wouldn't sell in France!"

Our compliments to the Westfield (N J) public library, and to an unnamed genius on its staff, who has come up with a handy-dandy idea to take the back-ache out of moving to a new bldg. Last wk library patrons were asked to borrow 8 books apiece, hold them until Oct 11, and then ret'n them to the new quarters. Thought strikes us that card-holders should waste no time, since the last little

A professor of English, says the *Wall St Jnl*, was reading one of the Canterbury Tales to his class when he noticed a boy asleep at the side of the room. Annoyed, he wound up and let fly with the book, bouncing it off the sleeper's head. "That," said the prof to his startled target, "was a flying Chaucer!"

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helper might find himself checking out 8 volumes of the *Encyclopedia Britannica*.

In an age when so much emphasis is placed on rapid reading, we present with some smug satisfaction Dr Victor Hammer, a professor-emeritus of Transylvania College, Lexington, Ky. Dr Hammer, it seems, has designed a hard-to-read type face, planned to slow down the reader! It should be used, he explains, for the printing of great classics, because these books were meant to be read slowly. "It's a case of the harder you work at something, the more you get out of it." The assertion is, of course, highly controversial, since many modern authorities insist that rapid reading also improves comprehension.

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### The March King

*Congress this yr is considering naming The Stars and Stripes Forever as the official U S march—appropriately, since its composer, John Philip Sousa, undisputed monarch of 4/4 time, was born 100 yrs ago (Nov 6, 1854) in the nation's capital.*

*Beginning his career when his father enlisted him in the Marine Band to keep him from running off with a circus band, Sousa rejoined the corps as Marine Bandmaster from 1880-'92, serving 5 Presidents and winning nat'l acclaim. Sousa's lasting fame came from his more than 100 marches, including Semper Fidelis and The Stars and Stripes Forever. The latter was firmly linked with the colorful conductor and (as Sousa recalled in his autobiography) even identified him to a bank teller who refused his check:*

"The teller looked at me coldly and handed back the check. 'You will have to be identified,' he said.

"Turning my back to the window, I raised my arms as if preparing to start off my band and began to whistle *The Stars and Stripes Forever*, bringing my arms up and down in the manner familiar to those who attend my concerts. The clerks broke out in laughter and applause . . . the cashier beckoned for the check and cashed it without a word."

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### LIFE—Living—20

Perhaps the most gratifying feature of life is that both the king and beggar can live but a moment of it at a time.—DOUGLAS MEADOR, *Matador (Tex) Tribune*.

### LOVE—21

Colette understood a great deal about love. When once a girl complained that she didn't know if her boy friend was serious, Colette explained: "That's not so hard to determine. When a man begins to act foolish, then the love affair is a serious one for him." — *Revue, Munich* (QUOTE translation).

### MARRIED LIFE—22

The honeymoon is over when the dog brings your slippers and the wife barks at you. — *Pipe Dreams*, hm, Universal Concrete Pipe Co.

### MODERN AGE—23

The other morning, a milkman told a lady customer that she wouldn't be seeing him for a while. "Oh, no!" she exclaimed. "Not another strike!" Not that at all, he replied—he was simply taking his family to Europe for a few wks.—*New Yorker*.

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Tom Yukie, recreation director at Levittown on Long Island, says that his children are highly influenced by this mechanized age. The other night he was telling an original bedtime story to his little girl but when he finished she asked, "Daddy, what's the one on the other side?"—*Youth Leaders Digest*.

# Pathways to the Past

Week of  
Oct 31-Nov 6



**Nat'l Girl Scout Wk**  
(Oct 31 - Nov 7)

**Nat'l Flower Wk** (Oct 31 - Nov 7)  
**Nat'l Radio and TV Wk** (Nov 1-7)  
**American Art Wk** (Nov 1-7)

**Oct 31—Hallowe'en.** . . *World Temperance Sunday*. . . Protestant Reformation Sunday (On All-Hallow's Eve, 1517, Martin Luther nailed his 95-point thesis to the Wittemberg church door). . . Nebraska entered the Union 90 yrs ago (1864).

**Nov 1—All Saints' Day.** . . *Nat'l Author's Day*. . . U S Postal money order system was established 90 yrs ago (1864). . . Carlisle Indian School (whose coach "Pop" Warner and wonder athlete Jim Thorpe rocked the sports world) opened 75 yrs ago (1879). . . French bravado captured Broadway 30 yrs ago (1924) when Walter Hampden brought *Cyrano de Bergerac* to America.

**Nov 2—Election Day.** . . 220th anniv (1734) b of the almost-legendary Daniel Boone, the Grand Old Man of American pioneers and explorers.

**Nov 3—**160th anniv (1794) b of Nature poet Wm Cullen Bryant, whose stirring *Thanatopsis* (written at 17) was never equalled, many critics aver, in his later work. . . Largely because they had no choice, the Sauk and Fox Indians 150 yrs ago (1804) ceded 50 million acres to U S gov't. . . The Congress of Vienna (where the

"Unholy Alliance" formed to preserve the European monarchies from democracy) opened 140 yrs ago (1814). . . N and S Dakota were created states simultaneously 64 yrs ago (1869).

**Nov 4—**75th anniv (1879) b of rope-twirling humorist Will Rogers (d 1934 with pilot Wiley Post in Alaskan plane crash). . . The sweetest musical instrument to a businessman's ear, the cash register, was patented 75 yrs ago (1879). . . Winning Wyoming over, Mrs. Nellie Tayloe Ross became the country's 1st woman gov 30 yrs ago (1924), later became Director of U S Mint.

**Nov 5—World Community Day.** . . . *Guy Fawkes Day* (in England, marks a 17th-Century gunpowder plot against Parliament). . . Perhaps so Harvard boys could write home for money, the 1st post office in the colonies opened at Boston, 315 yrs ago (1639). . . 30 yrs ago (1924) the 1st book (4-letter word meaning volume) of crossword puzzles was published.

**Nov 6—**The Pope appointed this country's 1st Catholic bishop 165 yrs ago (1789). . . 100th anniv (1854) b of the March King, John Philip Sousa. . . Rutgers, aided by the home-field advantage, slid by Princeton, 6-4, in the 1st collegiate football game 85 yrs ago (1869).

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# "Of all things!"

When we say that an acquaintance "looks like a new man" there is more in the statement than we may realize. So, at least, implies Dr Paul C Aebersold, director of the Isotopes Division of the Atomic Energy Commission, in an annual rep't of the Smithsonian Institution, just issued.

"Medical men," says Dr Aebersold, "used to think of the human body as an engine that takes in food, air and water mainly as fuel. Only a small part of the intake was thought to go for replacement of engine wear. Now, investigations with isotopes have demonstrated that the body is much more like a fluid military regiment which may retain its size, form and composition even tho the individuals in it are continually changing."

Tracer studies show that man is 98% "born again" every yr. The atomic turnover in our bodies is quite rapid and quite complete. In a wk or two half the sodium atoms will be replaced with other sodium atoms. The case is similar for hydrogen and phosphorus. And so the story goes for nearly all of the elements. In the course of a yr, it is now scientifically determined, nearly all of the atoms in us will be replaced by other atoms taken in our air, food and drink.

So, on those days when you find yourself rather displeased with your present person, just exercise a little patience. A "make-over" job is under way!

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## OPINION—24

Almost all American newspapers do not have the editorials and columnists on the front page, but instead have there well written factual reports, with the editorial material located well inside the paper. While we (Europeans) plunge first into the ideas and beliefs of others, the Americans want facts first . . . for they feel that the reader should form his opinions on facts and then read the opinions of the publishers of his paper.—JAKOB DAVID, *Stimmen der Zeit* (QUOTE translation).

## ORIGIN—"Panic"—25

The word *panic* comes from the Greek name Pan, that of a mischievous, ancient god who supposedly took delight in taking travelers by surprise and exciting in them the sudden fear that has come to be called *panic*. — CONSTANCE FOSTER, "Stockpiling Peace," *Good Business*, 10-'54.

## PAST—Present—26

I do not think that the sum of human misery has ever in the past been as great as during the last twenty-five yrs. — BERTRAND RUSSELL, *Human Society in Ethics and Politics* (Allen & Unwin, England).

## PREACHERS—Preaching—27

Dr John A Hutton, noted British minister and editor, once asked an audience of ministers why so many sermons are dull. When no one ans'd, he supplied this reason himself: "They are dull because those preachers are trying to answer questions that nobody is asking." — JOHN M RAST, *Cincinnati Enquirer*.

### RACE RELATIONS—28

At the end of 2 mo's in this country and after 50 conversations with Negroes, we (visiting Frenchmen) realized that the ideal of the American Negro is not to be treated as a white man. He would like to be a white man—the same way that a victim of baldness would like to have a head of hair.—PIERRE and RENEE GOSSET, *Realites* Paris.

### REVOLUTION—29

There is no such thing as the last revolution; the number of revolutions is infinite.—Unidentified (and now purged) Soviet writer, quoted in *American Political Science Review*.

### SEXES—30

Back yard conversation: "My husband would never chase another woman. He's too fine, too decent—too old!" — CEDRIC ADAMS, *Minneapolis Tribune*.

### SPIRIT—31

A mind, if it be open, may change with each day, but the spirit and the heart are as unchanging as the tides.—*Nat'l Parliamentarian*.

### THOUGHT—32

The responsibility for forming ideals and fixing standards does not belong to statesmen alone. It belongs, and now perhaps more largely than ever before, to the intellectual leaders of the nation, and especially to those who address the people in the univ's and thru the press. Teachers, writers, journalists are forming the mind of modern nations to an extent previously unknown. — JAS BRYCE, *Scientific Monthly*.

## In Brief

Washington is not an industrial city, but it boasts an exported commodity that runs into big figures. A billion tons of waste paper is baled and shipped from the nation's capitol each yr. This, comments a house magazine of Chesapeake & Ohio Ry, requires more box cars than any other commodity moving out of the city.

Who bought the 1st 2-pants suit? The Chicago tailoring firm of Benson & Rixon would like to know. They originated the idea, soon to have its 40th anniv. Now, if they can locate the 1st customer, he's in for a new suit—2 pr of pants, of course!

A garageman in a Chicago suburb has really got himself an idea. Admitting that he's too lazy to work, he makes the eager beaver a tempting proposal: Drive your car in and work on it yourself! The owner, Joe Ross, collects 75 cts an hr; contributes the use of his premises, tools, equipment, textbooks, advice, experience and supervision. Looks like a real neat deal.

Nat'l Labor Relations Bd has just called a tough one. Dispute involved professional status of a man who acted as rear end of an animated elephant. Actors' union held the guy was an actor; stagehands' union insisted the elephant was a stage prop, thus its mbrs should operate the animal. Ruling: the man is an actor. Now, comments Neal O'Hara, you know what actors are!

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# Good Stories

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you can use

Sen. Jack Kennedy (D-Mass) tells of the Irish pastor in South Boston who was noted for his outspoken hatred of all things British, and who was chosen to preach the sermon at a special high mass only when he promised not to mention Britain or the English. He started off nobly, telling of the Last Supper, when Christ told His disciples that one of them would betray him.

"Then," said the pastor, "the venerable Peter rose to ask, 'Is it I, Lord?' and Our Lord ans'd, 'It is not.'

"Up spake Thomas, James, John, and others, each asking, 'Is it I, Lord?' and each receiving the gentle reply, 'It is not.'

"Finally from a corner of the table where he cowered in evident guilt, Judas rose. His eyes shifted uneasily and at length he spoke in the tongue of his kind; 'I s'i, Guv'nor, is it I?'"—*Chicago Tribune Press Service.* a

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A fellow had just got back from Hollywood. He had been dazzled by the display of glamor and bigness in the movie colony.

"Everything is done on a tremendous scale," he told friends. "I attended dinner at a producer's home one evening and instead of using finger bowls at the end of the meal all the guests took showers!"—*Tit-Bits, London.* b

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## I LAUGHED AT THIS ONE

MARY PETERSON

Bus drivers have their trials, and I sometimes wonder that they are as patient as they are. I had occasion, on my last trip to N Y, to ride the Madison Ave bus at the morning rush hr. As I stood in the crush, almost at the driver's elbow, I heard him humming away under his breath. It seemed so unusual that I couldn't help commenting: "Feeling pretty good?"

"Yep," he replied. "Feel this way every morning. Only lasts one trip, tho."

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An irascible woman ate her dinner every night in a Chinese restaurant, where she harassed the waiters unmercifully. Her complaints always began with the same preliminary: "Young man, I am going to give you a piece of my mind." With imperturbable Oriental courtesy, no one ever crossed her. She was accepted indulgently as a neighborhood "character."

Without the stimulation of rebuttal, these hollow victories began to pale. The grand dame finally attempted to trap her waiter into an argument. "You never talk back," she snapped. "Don't you understand English?"

"My lady, each evening for these many months you have given us a piece of your mind. To what, then, can I appeal?"—*Healthways.* c



Sometimes Congressmen doubtless wish their constituents wouldn't write to them, as witness letters quoted by JULIET LOWELL in *Dear Mr Congressman* (Duell, Sloan & Pierce). One man wrote to Congressman Powell: "A friend told me that he sent my name to the FBI to put on their submersive list. When do I start getting benefits?" And another wrote to him asking, "I would like some information about the United Nations. Who united them and when?"

Also on the subject of the UN is one to Congressman Javits: "What about the UN? Is this like the Elks and how can I join?"

And then there's the woman who wrote to Congressman Becker: "What is a Congressman at large? Could this be dangerous?"

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During the visit of a Kansan and his wife to Los Angeles, the famed smog of that western city was very much in evidence. A friend was taking them around on a sight-seeing tour to the various points of interest of the city and he said:

"Now, on a clear day you can see a range of mountains near Hollywood, Mount Baldy and Catalina Island."

"Well," drawled the visitor from Kansas, "we ain't got much in Kansas, but, thank goodness, what we have got, we can see!" — DAN BENNETT.

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*A smart husband is one who saves all the barber-shop gossip until after dinner—so his wife will help him with the dishes.* —EDNA MAY BUSH.

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*What the modern child learns at his mother's knee is how to balance a plate of salad on it.* —AL M SCHAEFER.

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*An old-timer is one who can remember when social security was kept in the cellar and the smoke-house.* —KATE M OWNEY.

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*Nothing will make a man put his best foot forward like getting the other one in hot water.* —O A BATTISTA.

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*Nothing is impossible to the chap who doesn't have to do it himself.* —Pipe Dreams, hm, Universal Concrete Pipe Co.

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*Well, we've picked up a few more Allies, all right, but how are we fixed for friends?* — Hartford Courant.

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*Medical science says that whisky cannot cure the common cold, but then neither can medical science.* —PHIL MANN, York Trade Compositor, hm, York Composition Co.

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*A pessimist is one who sizes himself up and then gets sore about it.* — Times of Brazil (Sao Paolo).

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A man with a little black bag knocked at the front door of a large dilapidated house.

"Come in, come in," said the father of 14 children, "and I sure hope you're the piano tuner."—*Supervision.* f

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The teacher had asked her class the difference between a primitive man and a modern man.

One of the brighter pupils ans'd, "When his wife talks too much modern man goes to his club, while the primitive man reached for it."—*Watchman-Examiner.* g

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Labor Under-sec'y Arthur Larson is emerging as one of Washington's best story-tellers. One of his latest is about a Republican, hard-pressed financially, who arrived in an industrial town unable to afford a hotel room. He saw a house with a "room-to-let" sign in the window, and decided the landlady was probably a Democrat. So he went to the door and asked if she had special terms for a Democrat needing a room. "I certainly do have," was the response, "but I am too much of a lady to use them." — *QUOTE Washington Bureau.* h

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The housewife was interviewing a prospective cook. They discussed hrs. days off and then the lady asked, "And how much wages do you expect?"

"That will depend, mum," repl'd the domestic. "Do you peel or unfreeze?"—*Tracks*, hm, Chesapeake & Ohio Ry. i

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Wilbur, out shopping with his mother, pointed to a set of false teeth in a shop window and said, "If I had to wear false teeth, that's the kind I'd like."

"Why, Wilbur," said his mother in shocked surprise, "how many times must I tell you not to pick your teeth in public!"—*Today.* j

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A woman was having an upstairs room painted and was worried at the workman's slow progress, since she was paying him by the hour. Listening at the foot of the stairs, she couldn't hear a sound.

"Mr Henry," she called up, "are you painting?"

"Yes, ma'am," came the reply.

"That's funny," she snapped, "because I can't hear you working."

"Listen, lady," was the exasperated reply, "I ain't putting it on with a hammer!" — *Northwestern Bell*, hm, Northwestern Bell Telephone Co. k

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A London news vendor, asked for a copy of *The Daily Worker*, responded: "Madam, that is not a periodical; that is a disease" l

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A burly farmer with a healthy appetite took his seat in the dining room of the hotel and ordered beef.

Presently the waiter came along with a plate on which was a small portion of meat.

The farmer had a look at it and then said, "Yes, that's the kind. Bring me some!"—*Cambridge (England) Daily News.* m

Tardillius was always late, and always had a different excuse. One hr late a particular morning, the boss greeted him with, "Well, Tardillius, what's today's story?"

"Well, sir," came the reply, "my little girl was afraid of the storm last night and turned the mirror on the mantelpiece round to the wall. When I came downstairs this morning, I couldn't see myself in the looking glass, and, naturally, I thought I'd gone to work."—*Assembler*, hm, Automotive Body Division, Chrysler Corp'n. n

A new mbr of a certain gov't bureau made life miserable for his associates by claiming to be absolutely infallible. What's more, he usually was. One day, however, he startled his co-workers by admitting that he had been wrong.

"No!" exclaimed one of his listeners.

"Yes," the man declared. "Once I thought I was wrong when I wasn't."—*Arkansas Baptist*. o

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"When you were hired," the woman told her maid, "you told me one reason you were such a good maid was that you never got tired. This is the 3rd afternoon I've come into the kitchen and found you asleep."

"Yes, ma'am," agreed the maid cheerfully. "That's how I never get tired."—*Santa Fe Mag*, hm, *Santa Fe Ry*. p

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The comics have, we learn, a czar  
To rule the simple peasants.  
It's up to him to pass or bar—  
Men tremble in his presence.

Much like an emperor or king  
He waves a royal hand,  
And there's another little thing—  
They pay him forty grand.

He has no scepter, has no throne,  
He has no robe of ermine,  
But all he can condemn, condone,  
And all he can determine.

How fine to be a czar, indeed.  
And have his pay and power.  
(And how he earns it, who must  
read  
Those comics, hour on hour!)

Sam Goldwyn, so the story goes, decided to inspect a garden scene before giving the signal to begin shooting. He was shown around by the technicians, and paused when he came to a sun dial in the middle of the garden. "What's this?" he asked. A patient workman explained in detail how the sun struck the blade, which caused a shadow to fall on the dial, and how the shadow moved as the sun advanced across the heavens. Goldwyn was fascinated. "Wonderful," he whispered, with reverence. "What won't you fellows think of next?"—*Speaking of Holiday*, hm, *Holiday*. q

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# Quote-ettes

Judge GEO M PARADISE, Sioux City (Ia) Municipal Ct, over-ruling Iowa's 115-yr-old law against selling liquor to an Indian: "The Indians of 100 yrs ago were as different from the Indians today as the pony express is from a jet plane." 1-Q-t

"Mr JOHN", N Y milliner: "The well-hatted woman is well dressed only because she seeks to please a man. There is no romantic feminine reassurance like the turn of a masculine head." 2-Q-t

Mrs VERNON J PICK, wife of a uranium millionaire: "It's not so different to be rich. You can't eat any more, and you get just as tired." 3-Q-t

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# News of the NEW

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There are times when we link a wan and wasted wish to a thought lately expressed by E B White (in *The New Yorker*): "I wish nobody would invent *anything* for 6 mo's!" A vain meditation, if we ever encountered one. The new devices keep coming. And here are a couple of current contributions to our collection of Things We'd Just as Soon Nobody Had Thought Up:

In London, we understand, it's possible to buy some very special spectacles. They help you recognize the spirits in spiritual gatherings.<sup>1</sup> They're made of two layers of glass with a blue liquid be-

tween them. And they're all yours for around \$8.75.

Back home, you can buy a special shower. It sprays warm and cold water at the same time.<sup>2</sup> Cold center spray cools the skin while outer spray adds a shield of warm water.<sup>3</sup> This is supposed to keep you comfortable. The 2-way interplay is said to be unusually refreshing and invigorating. Unit can also be used for conventional shower-bath.<sup>4</sup> *Vita-Spray Co*, 227 W 45th St, N Y C 19.

1—Consumption of spirits beforehand might help, too. 2—So you don't have to decide which. 3—Our shower's done this for yrs. We thought something was wrong with it. 4—Thank Heaven!

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